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Mr. Richard J. Schassburger
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RE: Technical Memorandum 3 (Surface Soil Sampling Plan) for OU 5 -Woman Creek
Priority Drainage

Dear Mr. Schassburger,

The Colorado Department of Health, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division (the Division), and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have reviewed the above referenced document submitted by DOE and prime operating contractor, EG&G. We hereby approve Technical Memorandum 3, but urge that the following points be considered:

a. This TM does not explain how the collected surficial soil data will be compared to background values or how background values will be established. This needs to be addressed before the Phase I RFI/RI Report is prepared for OU 5.

b. The IAG requires that RFI/RIs completely characterize the extent of contamination. DOE should be aware that if the sampling proposed in this TM reveals a contamination anomaly that appears to go beyond the limits of this sampling program, additional sampling will be required.

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please call Joe Schieffelin (CDH) at 692-3356 or Bill Fraser (EPA) at 294-1081.

Sincerely,

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